

Line 23, after "human SMN" insert -- (SEQ ID NO:9, amino acid residue nos. 9-293)--

Line 23, after "mouse SMN" insert -- (SEQ ID NO:21, amino acid residue nos. 4-288)

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REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for a three (3) month extension of time, up to and including November 18, 2000, for filing a reply in connection with the present application, and the required fee of \$870.00 is attached hereto.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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